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SUBJ: SENGHOR LETTER TO PRESIDENT NIXON RE OUSMANE  
GOUNDIAM CANDIDACY FOR VICE DIRECTOR GENERAL POST

REF: DAKAR 4713 DAKAR 5036 GENEVA 6465 (ALL 1973)

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SUMMARY. AMBASSADOR HAS RECEIVED FOR TRANSMISSION TO  
PRESIDENT NIXON LETTER FROM PRESIDENT SENGHOR ENDORSING  
GOUNDIAM CANDIDACY IN SEPT 1974 SESSION OF WIPO  
COORDINATION COMMITTEE. END SUMMARY.

1. FOLLOWING IS INFORMAL TRANSLATION SENGHOR LETTER,  
ORIGINAL OF WHICH BEING POUCH AF/W:

QTE NO 270/PR/SP 12 FEB 1974

MR PRESIDENT,

I AM PLEASED TO CONFIRM TO YOU THE CANDIDACY OF  
M. OUSMANE GOUNDIAM, ATTORNEY GENERAL ATTACHED TO  
THE SUPREME COURT, FOR THE POST OF VICE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF  
THE WORLD INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATION.

2. AS YOU KNOW, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THAT  
ORGANIZATION HAD DECISION TO DISCUSS THE PROBLEM OF  
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GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION OF POSTS DURING THE MEETING

WHICH WAS HELD IN GENEVA FROM NOVEMBER 19 TO 27, 1973.  
IT IS THUS THAT, OF THE THREE POSITIONS OF VICE  
DIRECTOR GENERAL CREATED, ONE IS TO BE FILLED BY A  
CITIZEN OF A DEVELOPING COUNTRY.

3. IN ORDER TO REMAIN FAITHFUL TO THE TRADITION OF  
DIALOGUE, WHICH IS ONE OF THE PRINCIPLES OF OUR POLICY,  
THE SENEGALESE DELEGATION TO THE CONFERENCE OF GENEVA  
DID NOT FAIL, DURING OFFICIAL MEETINGS, TO CONSULT  
TOGETHER WITH FRIENDLY COUNTRIES, INCLUDING THE UNITED  
STATES OF AMERICA, A COUNTRY WITH WHICH WE ENJOY  
FRIENDLY RELATIONS OF COOPERATION.

4. IN THE COURSE OF PRIVATE MEETINGS, THE AFRICAN  
DELEGATES CONFIRMED THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE CANDIDATE OF  
SENEGAL, IN CONFORMITY WITH THE RESOLUTION OF THE  
OAMI (AFRICAN AND MALGACHE ORGANIZATION OF INDUSTRIAL  
PROPERTY) THAT THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY ADOPTED  
AND MADE EXPLICIT BY THE VOICE OF THE REPRESENTATIVE  
OF ITS SECRETARY GENERAL.

5. THE OTHER DEVELOPING COUNTRIES REPRESENTED ALSO  
AGREED WITH THE AFRICAN POSITION BY DECIDING UNANIMOUSLY  
AT THAT POINT TO SUPPORT THE CANDIDACY OF M GOUNDIAM  
AS THE CANDIDATE OF THE GROUP OF 77.

6. IN HOPING THAT YOUR COUNTRY, A HIGHLY QUALIFIED MEMBER  
OF THE COORDINATION COMMITTEE OF THE WIPO., WILL USE  
ITS DETERMINING INFLUENCE DURING THE SESSION OF THE  
MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 1974 TO SECURE THE APPROVAL OF OUR  
CANDIDACY, I BEG YOU TO ACCEPT, MR. PRESIDENT, THE  
EXPRESSION OF MY VERY HIGH CONSIDERATION.

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7. THE SEALED ORIGINAL ANNOUNCES THE ENCLOSURE OF AN  
ABRIDGED CURRICULUM VITAE FOR M GOUNDIAM, PRESUMABLY  
THE EQUIVALENT OF THAT ENCLOSED WITH THE EMBASSY'S A-49  
OF JUNE 15, 1973.

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